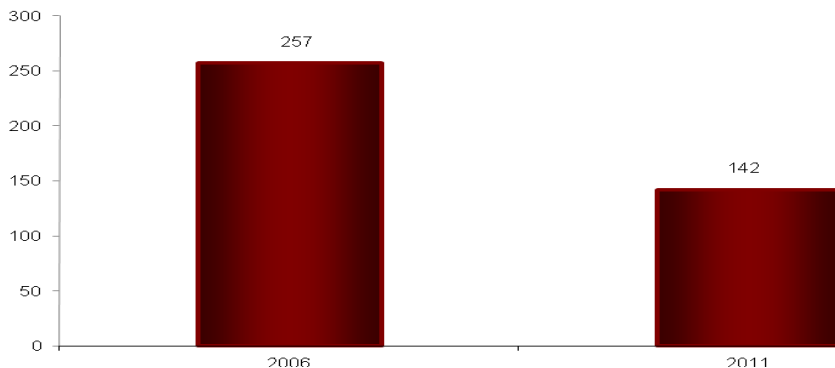


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Working to reduce violent crime in Maryland

Governor O'Malley's primary concern for the State of Maryland is to provide safety for its citizens. To date, Maryland has the lowest homicide and violent crime rates ever reported in the state. However, the real story can be told at the local level where the difficult work of addressing violent crime and supporting victims is done every day. Over the last 5 years, through unprecedented federal, state, and local law enforcement collaboration, Calvert County has seen a 44.7% reduction in violent crime. In addition there has been a significant reduction in aggravated assaults (-57.1%) and motor vehicle thefts (-36.3%).

Calvert County Violent Crime Trends 2006 - 2011



CALVERT COUNTY MAKES AN IMPACT:

Now more than ever before, crime reduction depends on federal, state, and local collaboration. Real-time information sharing, more effective crime analysis, new technology, the strategic targeting of violent offenders, and improved community resources all contributed to Calvert County's success.

Governor O'Malley's Office of Crime Control and Prevention is currently funding 10 grants in Calvert County totaling \$414,035. As a result, Calvert County has been able to implement successful crime fighting strategies such as:

- **Sex Offender Monitoring** - The Calvert County Sheriff's Monitoring Support program tracks the compliance of local sex offenders who are required to register/ re-register with the Maryland Sex Offender Registry. The program benefits the citizens of Calvert County by keeping registered sex offenders in compliance. A civilian Project Manager registers offenders, completes and files paperwork, schedules appointments for re-registrations, and answers questions from the public and offenders.

Key Initiatives

- Heightened Supervision of Violent Offenders
- CompStat on Demand
- Crime Analysis
- Crime Mapping
- Domestic Violence Crisis & Support Services
- Rape Crisis Intervention Services
- Litter Control
- Protective Order Entry
- Sex Offender Monitoring

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- **Domestic Violence Crisis & Support Services** –The Crisis Intervention Center's Domestic Violence Crisis & Support program at the Calvert County Health Department provides 24 hours helpline services, individual and group counseling, victim advocacy services, outreach, and education services to adult and child victims of domestic violence.

The Calvert County Sheriff's Office employs a Domestic Violence Court Deputy who supports victims at protective order hearings. The on-site Deputy interviews respondents regarding access to firearms and prevents respondents with firearms from leaving court unattended. The Deputy also issues lethality assessment screenings to petitioners and those in need of outreach services.

- **Rape Crisis Intervention Services** – The Calvert County Health Department also assists in developing and implementing strategies intended to provide assistance to sexual assault victims in the county. A 24 hour hotline as well as crisis counseling and long term therapy are provided for these victims. The program also provides community education to students and staff at the College of Southern Maryland regarding the definition of rape and sexual assault, and prevention strategies.
- **Litter Control** - The Calvert County Litter Control program provides alternatives to incarceration for non-violent offenders and serves the needs of the criminal justice system, the defendant, and the community concurrently. This program has demonstrated the positive impact the Community Service Program workers have on the community and the environment.



“Calvert County’s great success in reducing violent crime shows the value of information sharing and collaboration. Using new technology, data and intelligence gathered by one agency is shared with others. As a result, law enforcement throughout the county is able to track criminals and prevent the victimization of vulnerable residents.”

Governor Martin O'Malley